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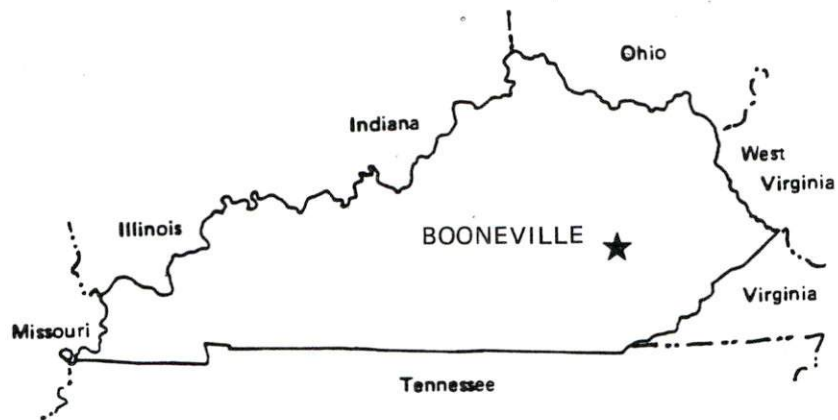
Owsley County

**A SUMMARY OF
RESOURCES
FOR ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT**

BOONEVILLE

KENTUCKY
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SUMMARY OF INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES BOONEVILLE, KENTUCKY



POPULATION: 1982: Booneville - 200
1982: Owsley County - 5,600; Labor Market Area - 99,900

BOONEVILLE LABOR MARKET AREA: Includes Owsley, Breathitt, Clay, Jackson, Lee and Perry Counties.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1983:

	<u>Owsley County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	1,739	36,971
Employment	1,431	30,886
Agricultural	221	1,169
Nonagricultural	1,210	29,717
Unemployment	308	6,085
Rate of Unemployment (%)	17.7	16.5

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME, 1982:

Owsley County - \$4,464; Labor Market Area Range - \$4,464 - \$7,547

ESTIMATED AVAILABLE LABOR SUPPLY, 1983:

Owsley County - 899 Male, 691 Female; Labor Market Area - 10,259 Male, 10,332 Female

LOCAL MANUFACTURING PLANTS: There are no manufacturing plants in Booneville at the present time.

TRANSPORTATION:

Rail: The nearest rail service is provided by the Seaboard System Railroad at Jackson, 25 miles northeast of Booneville. Services include main line; 2 northbound and 3 southbound freights stop weekly; an average of 3 southbound and 3 northbound through freights daily; switch engine; team track space for 10 cars; siding space for 50 cars. The nearest piggyback service is located in Frankfort, 99 miles northwest of Booneville. Seaboard provides piggyback service from Frankfort through the Louisville ramp with highway services substituted for rail between the two cities. Rates are charged from Frankfort.

Highways: Booneville is served by Kentucky Highways 11 & 52, both are "AAA" rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways. Access to the Mountain Parkway via Kentucky 11 is 31 miles to the north. Access to the Daniel Boone Parkway is 43 miles southeast via Kentucky Highways 28 and 15. Both parkways are multi-lane toll roads.

Road Distance in Miles:

Atlanta	393	Baltimore	578	Chicago	438
Detroit	423	New York	750	St. Louis	421

Truck: Bestway Express serves Booneville with both interstate and intrastate service. McLean Trucking Company has interstate service only.

Water: The nearest navigable waterway is the Kentucky River. A 6-foot navigation channel is maintained on the Kentucky River at Frankfort, 115 miles southwest of Booneville.

Air: The nearest air service is provided at the East Kentucky Regional Airport, located 15 miles north of Hazard, which is approximately 60 miles east of Booneville. It has one paved 3,250-foot lighted runway. Commercial airline service is also available at Blue Grass Field in Lexington, 91 miles northwest of Booneville. Delta, Piedmont, United, USAir, Allegheny Commuter, Comair, and Tennessee Airways serve Blue Grass Field.

UTILITIES:

Electricity: Jackson County RECC provides service to Booneville and Owsley County. The source of power is East Kentucky Power Cooperative.

Natural Gas: Natural gas is not available in Booneville at the present time.

Other Fuels: Propane is available from distributors in Booneville and Beattyville, 11 miles north. Fuel oil is available from a distributor in Beattyville, 11 miles north, and in Jackson, 25 miles northeast of Booneville.

WATER AND SEWERAGE:

Water: Booneville Water and Sewer District provides water to the city. The source of raw water is the South Fork of the Kentucky River and the treatment plant capacity is 368,640 gallons per day. Average daily consumption is 110,000 gallons and peak daily consumption has been 150,000 gallons. The storage capacity is 356,000 gallons.

Sewerage: Sewage service is provided by Booneville Water and Sewer District. The design capacity of the treatment plant is 75,000 gallons per day and average daily flow is 60,000 gallons. The type of treatment is secondary.

GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE:

City: Booneville is governed by a five-member board of trustees elected to two-year terms. A chairman is selected from the board.

County: Owsley County is governed by a county judge/executive and three magistrates elected to four-year terms.

TAXES: Combined state and local property tax rates per \$100 valuation, 1984 (100% assessment)

	<u>Inside City of Booneville</u>	<u>Unincorporated Owsley County</u>
1. Land and buildings	\$0.6600	\$0.6600
2. Mfg. machinery, raw materials, goods in process, pollution control equipment	0.1500	0.1500
3. Finished goods, office equipment, other tangibles	0.8678	0.8678
4. Intangibles (accounts receivable, notes, bonds, etc.)	0.2500	0.2500
5. Leaseholds in I.R. bond financed plants	0.0150	0.0150

EDUCATION: There is one school system in Owsley County. Total enrollment as of Spring 1984 in the Owsley County School System was 1,075 including 590 elementary and 485 high school students. The nearest state vocational school is Hazard State Vocational-Technical School at Hazard, 47 miles southeast. The Lee County Area Vocational Education Center is located in Beattyville, 11 miles north.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Telephone: Peoples Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc., provides service to Booneville.

Telegraph: There is a Western Union Toll-free number, 1-800-325-5100, for sending telegrams, mailgrams and international messages.

Newspaper: The Booneville Sentinel is published weekly with a circulation of over 2,000.

Radio Station: WLJC-FM is located in Beattyville, 11 miles north of Booneville.

Television: Cable service is available in Booneville. Major network programs are received from Lexington.

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES:

Hospitals: Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital is located in Hazard, 47 miles east of Booneville. Facilities include 128 acute care beds and 20 psychiatric beds. The Marcum and Wallace Memorial Hospital in Irvine, 38 miles northwest, has 26 acute care beds. The Memorial Hospital in Manchester, 37 miles south has 52 acute care beds and 11 skilled nursing beds.

Churches: There are several churches in Booneville. Denominations include Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian and Assembly of God.

Financial Institutions: The Farmers State Bank provides financial service to Booneville.

RECREATION:

Northwestern Owsley County falls within the **Daniel Boone National Forest**, which covers 640,000 acres of timberland in eastern Kentucky. It encompasses much of Kentucky's great beauty and provides a vacation paradise. There are scenic hiking trails, rivers and streams stocked with a variety of fish, hunting preserves, camping sites, and numerous other natural and historical attractions.

One of the fine state resort parks, **Natural Bridge State Resort Park** near Slade, 29 miles north of Booneville, is located in the Daniel Boone National Forest where cliffs and stone arches fill the landscape. The rugged awesomeness of the great Natural Bridge is the main attraction. The park has a 35-room resort lodge with a dining room and gift shop, ten rustic cottages, and 95 camping sites. Other facilities include a lake, a swimming pool, picnic shelters and playgrounds, hiking trails, and a riding stable.

Also, **Buckhorn Lake State Resort Park**, approximately 30 miles southeast of Booneville at Buckhorn, is a full-facility resort park with a 36-room lodge. The lodge itself offers a dining room with a lake view, a gift shop, a pool, meeting rooms, and a recreation room. Other park facilities and activities include a beach, a bathhouse, a picnic shelter, 72 campsites, a playground, mini-golf, tennis, a dock with open and covered slips, boat rentals, a 40-foot levee plus a fishing pier, bicycle rentals, and planned recreation.

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